

LOCAL ITEMS

E. J. Martin of Mountain Park was here attending to business Wednesday.

Mrs. Maud Brooks arrived from El Paso Saturday evening for a visit in Alamogordo.

Ben. Hancock came down from Cloudercroft to spend New Year's day and attend the big dance.

Jed R. Yale left Monday night for a visit with his parents, who live at Belleville, Kansas.

W. M. Stone, of the Continental Oil Co. of Albuquerque, was a visitor in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Goodwin have returned to their home in Three Rivers after a stay of several months in Alamogordo.

Mrs. J. H. McNatt and children returned to Cloudercroft Tuesday afternoon after a visit in Alamogordo.

Chas. Adams returned last week from the Pecos valley and is now employed at Frank Smith's barber shop.

Miss Anna Prather is here from Loretta Academy at Las Cruces, to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Will Walthall.

E. F. Cadwallader, the "Wizard of Mountain Park," spent Tuesday and Wednesday visiting in Alamogordo.

Thos. F. Kelsh was here from El Paso Wednesday, enroute to Cloudercroft to look after his business interests.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Mechem and children returned Monday evening from Fort Smith, Ark., where they spent the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Charles arrived here Monday after a short visit with friends in Kansas, and left at once for their Sacramento mountain home.

T. E. McCullough and C. M. McConnell, of the Forest Service at Cloudercroft, spent New Year's day in Alamogordo and attended the New Year's dance.

Mrs. Mary Miller, mother of Misses Olga and Marta Miller, left Tuesday night for her home in Des Moines, Iowa, after a two months' stay here.

T. B. Milton, who formerly taught in the La Luz school, came in Saturday from Cutter to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Cahill and J. Hall Jacobson came down Monday evening from Mescalero to attend the New Year's dance. They returned home Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Pelphrey will leave for Lebanon, Tenn., as soon as the new assessor qualifies for the office. Mr. Pelphrey will enter the law school of Cumberland University.

Prof. R. S. Tipton, county superintendent-elect, moved last week from Tularosa to Alamogordo. Prof. Tipton and family are occupying the residence in which Mr. and Mrs. Will H. Pelphrey have been living.

Miss May Pierce has been elected by the board to take charge of the school at Salinas. She will leave Sunday to assume the new duties and will have a fine new building in which to conduct the school.

Presbyterian Church Services

For the next three months, beginning January 7, our services will be held at eleven a. m., and half past seven p. m., respectively. The first Sunday of each quarter is our communion service to which all Christians are cordially invited. The coming Sunday evening subject is: "Jesus Mingling With the Masses."

Our Sunday School Xmas entertainment was greeted with a full house. The children's rendering of their exercises was good, reflecting careful training on the part of their instructors. Especial thanks are due the Blind Institute orchestra for their highly appreciated services.

Our annual business meeting and roll call was enjoyable. Financially, every obligation on the part of the Ladies' Aid, Sunday School and church, has been more than met, so that all enter upon the New Year's work with a substantial balance on the right side. Our choir has aided us much by willing service, much appreciated.

The pastor received a unanimous, indefinite call subject to the will of the Presbytery. We wish to thank our congregation and our community for all past favors, and seek to be even more serviceable to all in the coming year.

Yours in the service of the King.

J. A. ARMSTRONG,
Minister.

Wedding Saturday Night

Miss Estelle Linam of Alto was married to Mr. Matt Gilmore of Ruidoso last Saturday night at half past eight, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brown, on Tenth street. Rev. George H. Givan performed the ceremony. The bride has taught school in this county and has a wide circle of friends. The groom is a well known stockman of the White mountain section. They left Saturday night for a visit to El Paso and Las Cruces. Their home will be at Ruidoso.

FOR SALE—New Ludwig piano, for \$185.00. 'Phone 175.

A. H. Hindspeth of White Oaks arrived this morning for a visit in Alamogordo.

Mrs. A. P. Jackson, Miss Ella and the two younger daughters, returned Tuesday to El Paso.

Howard Beecher is employed at Warren's this week to assist in taking the annual inventory.

Probate Judge Reney B. Field and family were visitors in Alamogordo Tuesday.

Al. Gray was here this week from Safford, Ariz., attending to some business matters.

Prosper Sherry left Tuesday night for Carrizozo, after having spent the Christmas holidays at home.

C. E. Buchert, salesman for the Smith Premier Typewriter, was a visitor in Alamogordo Thursday.

D. M. Barringer, Jr., returned this week from El Paso, where he has been visiting for some time.

Judge Edward R. Wright left Sunday afternoon for Santa Fe, where he will locate to engage in the practice of law.

Cloudercroft Notes

Miss Lillian Harkness, who is attending school at Las Cruces, is spending the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harkness, of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Fessler and daughter Miss Vera, and Mrs. Willson all relation of the Redies, of near Kingstown, Ind., are here visiting C. A. Redie and family.

Rangers Thomas E. McCullough and C. McConnell and Ben Hancock attended the Leap Year ball at Alamogordo, New Year's night.

Miss Livie Pender of High Rolls spent a few days of the holidays at Cloudercroft, with the Misses Painter.

Mr. Lee Walker of Mesilla Park is home for the Christmas holidays.

While going to the Christmas tree last Sunday night, Mrs. J. S. Houser had the misfortune to fall and sprain a wrist.

Magnitude of the Publishing and Printing Business

What the printers and publishers of the country are doing has been made the subject of a special bulletin by the Census Bureau, which finds that there are 22,143 publications in the country, with an aggregate circulation of 165,498,190 copies per issue. Of these 2,602 are dailies (exclusive of Sunday), with an aggregate circulation of 24,217,127, and 15,097 are weeklies, with an aggregate circulation of 40,822,965. With all due respect to the Census Bureau if it has really established these facts it has done something no other agency has ever been able to accomplish.

Be sure to hear the lecture next Tuesday night.

R. R. Pratt, superintendent for the Asylum for the blind was here and in Puerto de Luna this week on business pertaining to the institution.—Santa Rosa Sun.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Oliver, Misses Avery, Ankie and Henrie and Master G. B., spent Monday and Tuesday in El Paso visiting relatives and friends. They had the pleasure of seeing "The Girl from the Golden West."

M. L. Morgan and family have moved into the Downs' residence on the corner of Michigan avenue and Eleventh street. Mr. and Mrs. Downs have packed up their household effects and will move to Santa Fe.

J. E. Orr, county agent for the Singer Sewing Machine Co., is arranging to open an office in the Quinliven building just above The News office. He will have his headquarters and his residence both in Alamogordo.

A party of young people spent last Friday evening as the guests of Miss Ella Jackson. It was not an invitation party, unless it was that the guests invited themselves, but they had just as a good time, singing and dancing.

John M. Bowman returned Monday from his old home in Washington, Iowa, where he was called on account of the sudden death of his brother. Mr. Bowman will leave for Santa Fe to take up his work as state senator as soon as the legislature is convened.

Commencing Tuesday, the passenger trains which had been arriving five to twenty hours late, began to make better time. The principal cause of the delay to the west bound trains was a snow blockade in Kansas.

Antiquity of the Mortgage.
The legal document known as a mortgage can be traced as far back as the dawn of authentic history. The mortgage comes directly down to us from the Romans, but its antiquity is much more remote than the Roman nation. The Greeks, Carthaginians, Persians, Egyptians, Babylonians, all knew of the mortgage and duly used it in their business transactions. It is safe to say that the custom of giving mortgages is practically as old as settled human society.—New York American.

More Than Luck.
"Do you believe in special providence?"
"Sure! When I was a boy the school I attended was struck by lightning one night and burned."
"Nothing special about that."
"Oh, but it was just the night before the circus came to town!"—Philadelphia Ledger.

Filial Obedience.
"Harold," she murmured in his ear "mamma says I mustn't encourage you to come here so often, and I have to do as she tells me, of course, but you don't need any encouragement—do you, dear?"

How poor are they that have no patience.—Shakespeare.

The Lost Customer.
"It was a rainy day," said the book-seller, "and the wet shoes and dripping umbrellas of customers had made the floor quite wet and slippery just inside the store door. All our clerks happened to be in the back part of the place when the door opened and a large and very stout woman hurried in. Just as the door swung shut behind her she fell flat upon the floor. Before any of us could reach her she picked herself up with surprising quickness for a woman of her size, gave a stony stare all around the room, and then, without uttering a word, turned around, opened the door and walked out in the most dignified manner. None of us has ever seen the woman since, and I suppose her pride will prevent her from ever coming into the store where her first appearance was so mortifying."—New York Press.

Going Her One Better.
Helene—What do you think? Lieutenant von Kurr told me yesterday that I looked so ripping in my new frock he could kiss me.
Magdalene—Oh, when he saw me in mine he said nothing. He just kissed me.—Meggendorfer Blatter.

Will Know Later.
Rosa (aged twelve)—Mother, why is it that they always speak of the goddess of victory and never of the god of victory?
Her Mother—When you're married, my dear, you'll understand that.—Pileggi's Plots.

Maintaining His Dignity.
Even the elevator boy has to draw the line somewhere to prevent his being made too common. The maid who announced to the guest waiting at the door that "she didn't hear her uncle, she had rung three times" meets her match in the elevator boy described by a writer in the New York Evening Post.

"If any one calls, Percy, while I am out, tell him to wait. I shall be right back," said the woman to the apartment house elevator boy.
There was no answer.
"Did you hear me? Why don't you answer?" asked the woman, with some heat.

"I never answers, ma'am, unless I doesn't hear, and then I says 'What?'"
Summary Conversion.
Havellians all became Christians through the simple process of an edict—supposed of one of the sturdy old Samohamchias. The worthy king, observing that it was easier to kill an enemy with a rifle than with a club, and that the rifle was the invention of the Christians, took a short cut through the theological mazes of the missionaries who were trying to convert him, and announced that all Havellians were from that moment Christians. As he added that he would knock on the head any who objected, the thing was done as fast as his count.

A Fearful Retort.
On one of his raids Benedict Arnold captured an American officer in Virginia. After a few days he said, "Captain, what would our countrymen do with me if they caught me?"
"Well, sir," replied the captain, "if I must answer the question I should say that if my countrymen should catch you they would first cut off your lame leg, which was wounded in the cause of freedom and virtue at Quebec, and bury it with the honors of war. Then they would hang the remainder of your carcass on a gibbet!"

Decidedly Awkward.
Hewitt—Were you ever in an awkward position?
Jewett—I am all the time.
Hewitt—How is that?
Jewett—I have two girls living in the same street.—Brooklyn Eagle.

The Broker's Alternative.
"It is more than I can bear!" he cried in agonized accents.
"Then I suppose we'll have to join the bull movement," replied his partner.—Kansas City Times.

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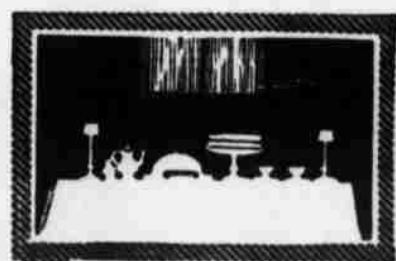
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